IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 44120

STATE OF IDAHO,) 2017 Unpublished Opinion No. 324
Plaintiff-Respondent,) Filed: January 18, 2017
v.) Stephen W. Kenyon, Clerk
LANCE ROBERT PEARSON,)) THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED) OPINION AND SHALL NOT
Defendant-Appellant.) BE CITED AS AUTHORITY

Appeal from the District Court of the First Judicial District, State of Idaho, Bonner County. Hon. Steven C. Verby, District Judge.

Order denying Idaho Criminal Rule 35 motion for reduction of sentence, affirmed.

Eric D. Fredericksen, State Appellate Public Defender; Jenny C. Swinford, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

Hon. Lawrence G. Wasden, Attorney General; Lori A. Fleming, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

Before GRATTON, Chief Judge; GUTIERREZ, Judge; and MELANSON, Judge

PER CURIAM

Lance Robert Pearson pled guilty to possession of sexually exploitive material, Idaho Code § 18-1507. The district court imposed a unified sentence of seven years, with a minimum period of confinement of two years, and retained jurisdiction. Pearson filed an Idaho Criminal Rule 35 motion for reduction of sentence, which the district court denied. Pearson appeals.

A motion for reduction of sentence under I.C.R. 35 is essentially a plea for leniency, addressed to the sound discretion of the court. *State v. Knighton*, 143 Idaho 318, 319, 144 P.3d 23, 24 (2006); *State v. Allbee*, 115 Idaho 845, 846, 771 P.2d 66, 67 (Ct. App. 1989). In presenting a Rule 35 motion, the defendant must show that the sentence is excessive in light of

new or additional information subsequently provided to the district court in support of the motion. *State v. Huffman*, 144 Idaho 201, 203, 159 P.3d 838, 840 (2007). Upon review of the record, including any new information submitted with Pearson's Rule 35 motion, we conclude no abuse of discretion has been shown. Therefore, the district court's order denying Pearson's Rule 35 motion is affirmed.